



Summary

Inspection Report on "Alleged Improper Use of Patented Technology at the Idaho National Laboratory" INS-L-13-02

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The Office of Inspector General (OIG) received a congressional request on behalf of a constituent alleging that the Idaho National Laboratory (INL) planned to market a constituent's patented technology in direct competition with the private industry. Specifically, it was alleged that the constituent pioneered the use of a particular technology and that INL planned to work with other Government agencies using that technology while excluding the constituent.

Our inspection found no evidence to support the allegations that INL improperly used patented technology belonging to the constituent or that INL planned to compete with the constituent by entering into contracts with other Government agencies involving the particular technology.

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